

Letter From Mr. Boyd.

Editor: The Advertiser:

Please allow me to trespass upon your space once more that I may present a few facts for the consideration of the people of the county.

I notice in your paper of the past week an article by Hon. August Kohn entitled "Too Much Politics." I desire to make a few statements on that article and draw a few conclusions. This is a statement by a man who is in a position to know whereof he speaks and I suppose his statements would be verified by most of his colleagues.

One of the statements that I wish to call attention to is this: "Has there been politics in this session? Of course there has been, and very much of it. It has been the dead weight of legislation." He goes on from here to explain why it is that politics in the legislature has been a dead weight upon legislation. He says the legislature is the kindergarten, or starting point for a career in politics. Since it is the beginning place a man must be careful here to not offend the people by doing anything that would be unpopular with them, for if he did they would not give him his job again, or the promotion he desired. He goes on to state that the greater portion of the houses are composed of those who either want their positions again, or they want a higher one; therefore, they will not do anything that is, in the least, likely to make them an enemy. They can not be criticized for anything they have done for they have not done anything, therefore they ought to be rewarded for their great worthy by being returned to their present position, or be given a higher one.

Now, Mr. Editor, if I have misinterpreted what is implied in this article I offer sincere apologies to all whom they are due but as I interpret what is to be read between the lines I have clearly stated above. Now let us discuss briefly these deductions.

In the first place, do the people of South Carolina want a man who is afraid to do anything for fear public sentiment will turn against him for a representative? Do the people want a legislature to sit forty days and draw a salary to do nothing? What is their ideal of what a legislature ought to be? Let me ask this one question for careful consideration: What service does a man, who is afraid to move because he does not know which way public sentiment is going, render to his county or his state? What good has it done the people to pay his salary as a representative? If even a majority of the legislature are in that condition, would it not be a matter of economy to abolish the whole business?

Mr. Kohn says some of the members are candidates for governor. Now I am not attacking either of the candidates for governor nor do I say that either of them are among those who are afraid to advocate anything for fear of public opinion; but this is the point: suppose they were of that kind, would they be fit for the gubernatorial chair? Do we want a man in that position who is always lying waiting for the sound of the feet of public opinion to see which way it is going so that he may turn in the same direction? My ideal of the kind of a man for that position is, one who has good judgment of his own; a keen sense of justice; a determination to know the right as far as possible, and then to do it at all cost. If the public applauds, let them applaud. If they condemn, let them condemn. Give me the man with a judgment and conscience of his own and who makes it his guide, and not public opinion. Our offices are not for the purpose of giving a man a job if I understand aright, but for the purpose of adjusting things to the best interest of the greatest number of the citizens. If a man is going to get into the place and sit idly there and draw his salary he certainly is not going to improve the conditions for the benefit of the people. On the other hand, if we get a man there who advocates measures that are in harmony with the best interests of the people and is willing to put them through regardless of what some may think of him, he is the man for me. I prefer the man who does things and makes some mistakes above the man who does nothing. The man who does nothing never will benefit anyone certainly, while the man who does a great many things and makes a few mistakes may do great good.

Now in conclusion, let me say this: Since it is the plain and unbidden opinion of one well posted on legislative doings that politics has prevented work in the legislature this time, is it not time that we as citizens and voters were demanding that the politics of our state were being changed some way? I think it is high time we were discarding those who are playing politics to further their own selfish gratification in behalf of men of convictions, men who are ready to serve the state faithfully and diligently so long

as wanted and then get out, men who are not there in order that they might have "Hon." attached to their names, but that they might serve their day and generation. You ask when we can get such men? I answer from the depths of honest conviction; whenever we as voters demand that mud slinging stop and the candidates substitute for this a presentation of good sound legislation. Let them take up their time in advocating sound constructive legislation and choose the man who has the best measures rather than the man who can "cuss" the most and say the most hard things about all of his opponents.

C. D. Boyd.

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LIFE'S WEARY WHIRL

JUST AN INCIDENT ON THE EARLY MORNING TRAIN.

Proof That the Wearing of Furs and Velvet Hat Do Not Make for Happiness—Lesson That Jennie Took to Heart.

The Commuters' Crochet club, which assembled every morning in facing seats on the 7:55, had become a familiar sight to their fellow-commuters, who seldom paid much attention to them and didn't even know that Sadie's bed-spread was one-third done, or that Mary had given up in despair and returned to the less arduous task of making wash-rags, relates the New York Post.

But if the other commuters had forgotten the crocheters, the latter were still very much interested in their fellow-passengers and had worked out an elaborate scheme of relationships and probable characteristics to fit each one. There was the stout old gentleman with the gold-headed cane who, they were sure, was a banker, with a fair young daughter at home, who was to be wed the tall dark young man who sat with her father every morning. There was the thin, tall, angular woman, with eye-glasses, who was the principal of a school. The commuters wished that the intellectual looking man with iron-gray hair who sat in back of her would fall in love with the principal, who looked as if she needed a change from school-room atmosphere, but as yet there seemed to be no imminent danger.

On this particular morning, as soon as they had drawn out their needles and set to work, Maude noticed a new face among the passengers.

"Look at that girl with the black furs and velvet hat," she whispered. "Hasn't she the nicest face?"

Four pairs of eyes were directed toward the girl in question.

"She isn't only pretty, she has a beautiful face, I think," said Sadie. "And I can tell you why it's beautiful, too. It's because she's happy. I've been thinking a lot about that lately, and looking at people, and I've decided that if a person is very happy she is apt to be good-looking. If every one would try a little harder to be cheerful, the human race would get handsome."

"Oh, you make me tired," said Jennie. "People can't be happy all the time, and I'm just sick of having people keep talking about it. What have I got to make me so everlastingly happy, I'd like to know? Of course I am perfectly well, and I have enough to eat and wear, but I work all day long and am dead tired every night, and I don't see why I should be so awfully happy. It's different with that girl over there with the furs and a velvet hat. You can see by looking at her that she doesn't have to dip chocolates all day long, like I do. She ought to be happy."

The train stopped and the girls put away their work and started out into the aisle.

"Oh, look," whispered Maude, and the others, turning, saw the girl in velvet and furs draw a crutch from under her seat and limp out into the aisle. Her face had grown white and drawn with the pain of walking, and her breath came in short gasps.

It was Jennie that helped the girl off the train, and walked along with her, before joining the crocheters again on the ferry. Then she stood and kicked the side of the boat before speaking.

"She goes in to sing to crippled children," she finally blurted out. "She can never be any better. Her nurse dropped her when she was a baby." She told me she was 'very happy' because the crippled children always looked forward to seeing her. She makes me feel pretty small." And with a last embarrassed kick at the side of the boat, Jennie set out to dip chocolates.

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CROSS HILL NEWS

Cross Hill, Feb. 23.—Mrs. Mary Brooks, an aged lady whose home was four miles below Cross Hill, died last Monday at the home of a neighbor, Mr. John Ward. Some time ago Mrs. Brooks had gone to Mr. Ward's on a visit, and while there fell and received injuries which proved fatal. She was about eighty years of age. The remains were gently placed to rest at Bethabara church on Tuesday following. Mrs. Brooks was a good Christian lady, a member of Bethabara Baptist church. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Bud Hill, with whom she made her home.

Mr. Conway Dial and family have moved into their new dwelling recently purchased from M. A. Leaman on North Main street. Mr. Dial is a good citizen and we are glad to see him settling down as a permanent member of our population.

Several of our people went over to Clinton Friday evening to attend the entertainment there by the Chicora Glee club.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Griffin went to Due West Monday of last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Griffin's father, Mr. Jake Loner, whose death occurred at a hospital in Columbia Monday morning.

Mr. George McCravy, of Laurens, was in town last week enjoying the associations of former friends and acquaintances.

Messrs. C. D. Nance and J. H. Rasor have exchanged their old automobiles for new and more improved machines.

Mr. W. E. Griffin has gone to Abbeville this morning on business.

Miss Bessie Hill has gone to Atlanta to inform herself more thoroughly in the millinery business.

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